

CITY OF NEWPORT

ORDINANCE NO. 2035

An Ordinance Amending NMC 6.15,
Related to the Issuance of Parking Permits
Within Public Rights-of-Way

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that imposing time limitations on public parking spaces as a tool for managing the availability of parking can at times be overly rigid, disproportionately impacting residents and guests; and

WHEREAS, the Council finds that authorizing the City Manager to establish a parking permit program will allow more effective management of public parking spaces, providing flexibility for meeting the parking needs of the community; and

WHEREAS, Citizen Advisory Committees for parking districts within the City of Newport (City) are empowered to make and/or recommend enhancements to the parking system, including facilitation of parking time limitations and similar improvements within public rights-of-way; and

WHEREAS, said Committees have specifically requested that the City put in place a parking permit program, so that such program is an option available to them as they explore how best to meet the needs of businesses within their districts; and

WHEREAS, the Council finds that in order to accomplish the above, the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of Newport will be best served by putting in place a program for issuing and enforcing parking permits.

THE CITY OF NEWPORT ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Chapter 6.15 of Newport Ordinance No. 1927, codified as Newport Municipal Code 6.15, Parking in Rights-of-Way, is hereby amended to insert a new Section 6.15.050 as follows:

6.15.050 Parking Permits

The City Manager may put in place a program for issuing parking permits to reserve public right-of-way areas for use by designated parties. Parking permits may apply in timed parking areas, or elsewhere depending upon the specifications of the permit.

- A. Parking permits are to be displayed on a vehicle in the manner specified on the permit, and shall include a description of the authorized activity, license number of the benefited vehicle, and the date or dates within which the permit is effective.

B. Permit holders and permitted vehicles are subject to all traffic laws and regulations not explicitly superseded by the permit.

Section 2. Existing Section 6.15.050 of Newport Ordinance No. 1927, codified as Newport Municipal Code 6.15.050, Exemptions, is hereby renumbered as Section 6.15.055.

Section 3. Existing Section 6.15.055 of Newport Ordinance No. 1927, codified as Newport Municipal Code 6.15.055, Owner Responsibility, is hereby renumbered as Section 6.15.060.

Section 4. This ordinance shall become effective 30 days after passage.

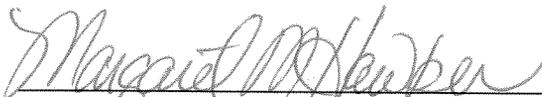
Adopted by the Newport City Council on the 16th day of April, 2012.

Signed by the Mayor on the 17th day of April, 2012.



Mark McConnell, Mayor

ATTEST:



Margaret M. Hawker, City Recorder